Involvement of Poor in the Growth Process

2425. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the Ninth plan poverty can effectively be eradicated only when the poor start contributing to the growth by their active involvement in the growth process; and

(b) if so, how does Government plan to mobiles the poor to ensure their participation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. There has been a growing realisation in the Government that sustainable development can take place only if the people become active participants in the growth process and not remain merely passive beneficiaries of the Government programmes. The Government recognises the tremendous potential within the poor to help themselves and that this potential can be realised by organising the poor. The Ninth Plan lays stress on private initiative and reliance on the enterprenurial spirit of the people to create conditions for rapid and sustained growth. The organisation of poor beneficiaries in self-help groups is an attempt in this direction. The agencies involved in the task of development are expected to facilitate the process of social mobilisation by formation, development and strengthening of the self help groups.

Fund Sanctioned under Non-Lapsable Central Pool

2426. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) What is the total amount of fund sanctioned by Government under Central non-lapsable fund for the North Eastern Region in the current years allocation;

(b) the details thereof; and

(c) by when the fund is expected to be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND

PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) to (c) An amount of Rs. 121.95 crores was released during 1998-99 and an amount of Rs. 303.68 crores has, so far, been released during 1999-2000 from the Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources for the various projects in the North East and Sikkim. Details are given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

STATEMENT

State-wise/Project-wise release of assistance from the Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources during 1998-99 and 1999-2000

(Rs. in crore)

State	Name of the Projects	Release	
		1998-99	1999-2000
Arunachal Pradesh	Ranganadi Transmission	10.00	—
	Itanagar-Naharlagun Water Supply	5.00	—
	SUB TOTAL	15.00	—
Assam	Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshtra Project	4.85	—
	Digunchera to Airport Road	0.25	—
	Minor Irrigation Schemes	11.21	—
	Flood Control Management Schemes/ different locations of Brahmaputra and Barak Valley	5.00	5.00
	220 KV D/C Kathalguri-Tinsukia Line (30 kms)	2.00	—
	Namrup Sub-station 250 MVA, 220/132 KV	2.50	—
	Tinsukia Sub-station 250 MVA, 22;/132 KV	3.00	—
	Sankaradeva Netralaya	—	1.00

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State	Name of the Projects	Release	
		1998-99	1999-2000
	Project to bridge the infra-Structure gaps in Forestry	—	10.00
	Installation of one Lakh Shallow Tubewells	—	10.00
	Guwahati Medical College	—	8.00
	IIT, Guwahati	—	34.00
	Assam University	—	10.00
	Tezpur University	—	10.00
	Diphu campus of Assam University	—	3.00
	SUB-TOTAL:	28.81	91.00
Manipur	Leimakhong Heavy Fuel Based Power Project	10.34	66.00
	Infrastructure for National Games	10.00	—
	Augmentation of Water Supply For Imphal City Phase-I (29.5 MLD)	—	5.00
	Installation of 25 MVA 33KV Sub-Station at Moreh Town	—	1.00
	ACA for BMS	—	16.00
	SUB-TOTAL:	20.34	88.00
Maghalaya	Greater Shillong Water Supply Scheme	3.79	3.00
	NH-51 Widening the formation And strengthening	5.00	—
	SUB-TOTAL:	8.79	3.00
Mizoram	Aizwal (Ph-II) Water Supply Scheme	4.00	20.00
	State Referral Hospital	5.00	10.00
	Mobilisation and Development of feed and fodder resources	—	1.00
	Integrated Piggery Development Project	—	1.00

State	Name of the Projects	Release	
		1998-99	1999-2000
	Establishment of Fish seed farms at Zawlnuam, Zobawk, Lengpui, Phura	—	2.00
	Marketing Facilities and Marketing and tung seeds and Oils of Mozoram in National and Abroad.	—	0.50
	North Eastern Hill University	—	7.74
	ACA for BMS	—	14.91
	SUB-TOTAL:	9.00	57.15
Nagaland	Hospital at Kohima	8.00	4.00
	Likimro HEP	11.01	9.00
	Administrative Training Institute	1.00	—
	Nagaland University	—	4.03
	Augumentation of Water Supply To Dimapur	—	8.00*
	SUB-TOTAL:	20.01	25.03
Sikkim	Rural Water Supply Schemes	10.00	3.50
	Major Overhauling 26 MW Hydel Generation Station at Lower Lagyap Hydel Project	—	3.00
	Flood Control surface drainage Anti-erosion work	—	2.50
	SUB-TOTAL:	10.00	9.00
Tripura	Transmission Schemes	10.00	5.00
	121 MV Gas Thermal Project (Extension) Rokhla (Ph.II)	—	5.00
	Development of Tripura University	—	2.50
	New Capital Complex at Agartala	—	10.00
	SUB-TOTAL:	10.00	22.50

*Clarifications have been sought from the State Government for release of funds.

State	Name of the Projects	Release	
		1998-99	1999-2000
Schemes Common to NE & Sikkim	Indira Gandhi National Open University	—	8.00
	SUB-TOTAL:	—	8.00
	GRAND-TOTAL:	121.95	303.68

Exemption from Requirement of Spending Plan Allocation on North East

2427. DR. (SMT.) JOYASREE GOSWAMI MAHANTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased state:

(a) whetheo the Central Ministries/Departments like Health (including ISM&H), Women and Child Development, Environment and Forests, Industrial Development, Industrial Policy and Promotion, Economic Affairs including Banking, Bio-Technology and Food Processing Industries are exempted from the requirement of spenidng 10 per cent of the budgeted plan allocation on North-East;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to withdraw the exemption in view of the relevance and importance of the activities of these Ministries/ Department for the North-East; and

(c) which are the other Department/Ministries exempted from the requirement of spending 10 per cent of their plan budget on the North-East?

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